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C O N F I D E N T I A L ATHENS 2314

FOR AMB SCHAUFLE FROM AMB KUBISCH

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP AFSP

SUBJECT: SCHAUFLE VISIT

REF: A) USUN 943 B) USUN 952

1. I HAVE JUST RECEIVED REFTELS AND
LEARNED THE DETAILS OF YOUR ITINERARY AND
AM VERY SORRY YOU ONLY PLAN TO REMAIN
IN ATHENS SUCH A SHORT TIME,
ESPECIALLY SINCE I WILL BE UNABLE TO BE HERE DURING THE DAY
TOMORROW (MARCH 26). I
HAVE LONG STANDING COMMITMENTS TO BE
IN THESSALONIKI TOMORROW -- ALREADY
POSTPONED TWICE AS A RESULT
OF BEING CALLED OUT OF THE COUNTRY BY
THE SECRETARY -- AND A FULL OFFICIAL
PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS
HAS BEEN LAID ON FOR MY VISIT.
THEY SIMPLY WOULD NOT UNDERSTAND IF I DID NOT SHOW UP
AND ALL THINGS CONSIDERED IN GREECE
TODAY I DO NOT BELIEVE I SHOULD ATTEMPT
TO CHANGE THE VISIT ONCE AGAIN. I EXPECT
TO RETURN TO ATHENS ABOUT 7:00PM
TOMORROW EVENING.

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2. IF YOU FIND YOU CAN STAY OVERNIGHT
(AND YOU MAY HAVE TO IN ANY CASE
BECAUSE OF TRAVEL PROBLEMS --
SEE BELOW) I HOPE
YOU WILL HAVE DINNER AND SPEND THE
NIGHT WITH US. IN ANY CASE PLEASE
PLAN TO MAKE THE RESIDENCE
YOUR HOME WHILE YOU ARE HERE. IF
YOU CANNOT REMAIN OVERNIGHT, I
KNOW THAT MONTY STEARNS AND OTHERS
ON THE STAFF WILL BE MORE THAN
GLAD TO SEE YOU AND HELP IN ANY WAY THEY
CAN WHILE YOU ARE HERE. FROM
MY POINT OF VIEW IT IS NOT ESSENTIAL
THAT I SEE YOU ALTHOUGH I WOULD
VERY MUCH LIKE TO DO SO IF POSSIBLE.

3. AS FOR YOUR ONWARD TRAVEL, REF A SHOWS YOU AS LEAVING
ATHENS AT 1730 MARCH 26 ON
OLYMPIC AIRWAYS #333. OLYMPIC
TELLS US THERE IS NO SUCH FLIGHT. THEY
OPERATE ONLY MORNING FLIGHTS AND
THEY ARE FULLY BOOKED UNTIL
FRIDAY MORNING--ALTHOUGH
WE HAVE WAITLISTED YOU.

4. CYPRUS AIRWAYS HAS MORNING AND AFTERNOON
FLIGHTS TO CYPRUS, BUT WE HAVE BEEN
UNABLE THUS FAR TO GET YOU ON
THE AFTERNOON FLIGHT ON MARCH
26, WHICH IS ALSO FULLY
BOOKED, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE ALSO WAITLISTED
YOU ON THIS FLIGHT. WE DO HAVE
CONFIRMED SPACE FOR YOU ON CYPRUS AIRWAYS
FLIGHT #313, LEAVING ATHENS
AT 10:20AM THURSDAY THE 27TH
AND ARRIVING IN CYPRUS AT 12:50PM.

5. IF YOU WISH, LET US KNOW YOUR
PREFERENCES BEFORE YOU ARRIVE TOMORROW
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MORNING OR, IF YOU PREFER, JUST WAIT
UNTIL YOU GET HERE AND WE CAN
ADVISE THE OTHER POSTS OF YOUR ONWARD
TRAVEL PLANS FROM HERE. HOPE I GET
TO SEE YOU. WARM REGARDS.

6. NICOSIA 1100 JUST RECEIVED. ASSUME
FOREGOING ANSWERS FOR NOW. WILL BE IN

TOUCH AGAIN LATER.
KUBISCH

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